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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
BERNHARD A. SABEL ET AL : EXAMINER: HARTLEY
SERIAL NO: 09/445,439 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1619
FILED: FEBRUARY 23, 2000 :
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FOR: DRUG TARGETING SYSTEM,
METHOD OF ITS PREPARATION
AND ITS USE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 41-87 without prejudice and insert therefor the following new
claims:

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88. (New) A drug targeting system for administration to a mammal, comprising:
a) nanoparticles made of a polymeric material, said nanoparticles being free of a
surfactant surface coating and comprising said polymeric material, one or more
physiologically effective substances to be delivered to said mammal, and one or more
stabilizers for said nanoparticles for effecting targeting of said one or more physiologically
effective substances to a specific site within or on a mammalian body, said one or more
stabilizers being selected from the group consisting of polysorbate 85, polysorbate 81,

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